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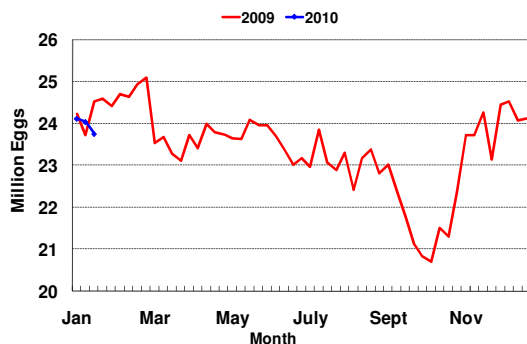
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 6 Percent from Last Year

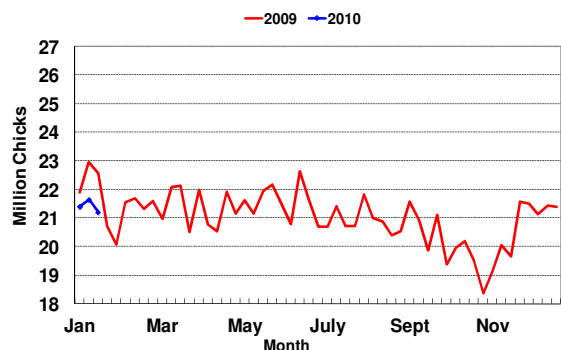
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.2 million during the week ending January 16, 2010. Placements were down 6 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.7 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 16, 2010, down 3 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2009-2010



Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2009-2010



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, December 19, 2009 - January 16, 2010

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	19-Dec	26-Dec	2-Jan	9-Jan	16-Jan	19-Dec	26-Dec	2-Jan	9-Jan	16-Jan
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	29,459	29,572 *	29,435	29,618 *	28,729	20,436	20,904	21,602	20,998 *	20,800
Arkansas	24,534	24,081	24,125	24,047 *	23,761	21,151	21,451	21,399	21,636 *	21,205
Delaware	3,425	3,438	3,292	3,243	3,241	4,948	4,618	4,216	5,262	4,558
Florida	1,297	1,296	1,328	1,185	1,378	1,015	1,294	1,003	984	968
Georgia	31,147	31,173	31,185	31,353	31,331	26,389	26,160	26,152 *	26,186 *	26,671
Kentucky	7,942	7,932 *	7,978	7,701	7,615	6,297 *	6,523 *	6,024	6,056 *	6,261
Louisiana	3,349	3,379	3,379	3,378	3,471	3,022	3,066	2,917	2,908 *	3,018
Maryland	9,007	8,963	8,926	8,803	8,712	5,899	5,338	6,510	4,993	6,189
Mississippi	18,882	18,735	18,687	18,566	18,838	16,187	16,031	16,123	16,308 *	16,002
N. Carolina	18,980	18,750	18,245	18,541	18,449	15,695	15,557 *	15,558	15,677	15,525
Oklahoma	7,146	7,051 *	7,288	7,100 *	6,765	5,228	3,865	4,808	4,095 *	4,332
Pennsylvania	3,771	3,740	3,785	3,903 *	3,520	3,091	3,006	3,144	3,088 *	3,013
S. Carolina	5,825	5,814	5,427	5,673	5,876	4,656	5,099	4,347	4,550	4,126
Texas	15,295	15,417	14,978	15,083	14,968	13,591	13,220	13,504	13,088	13,193
Virginia	6,114	6,224	6,217	6,225	6,124	4,966	5,459	4,605	4,092	4,987
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,500	18,108	18,161	17,687	17,956	15,863	15,879	17,393	16,892	16,342
19 State Total	204,673	203,673 *	202,436	202,106 *	200,734	168,434 *	167,470 *	169,305 *	166,813 *	167,190
Prev. Year Total	203,388	202,493	202,760	201,843	203,806	168,272	166,152	168,557	168,244	167,727
% of Prev. Year	101	101	100	100	98	100	101	100	99	100

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 16, 2010. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down Slightly

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 167 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 16, 2010. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through January 16, 2010 were 334 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.